

A scenic photograph of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C. The monument is a tall, white, obelisk-shaped structure that rises vertically in the center of the frame. It is partially framed by the dark, silhouetted branches of cherry blossom trees in the upper corners. The lower portion of the image is filled with a dense canopy of pink and white cherry blossoms. In the background, a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds is visible. The foreground shows a body of water, likely the Tidal Basin, which reflects the monument and the blossoms. A semi-transparent dark banner with white text is overlaid across the middle of the image.

The National Association for State Community Services Programs (NASCSP) Oklahoma Training Conference: NASCSP Updates

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AGENDA:



Legislative & Communications Update

NASCSP Updates

National Partner & Federal Updates

ABOUT NASCSP:

ADVOCACY & TRAINING

- NASCSP serves as the national voice for program enhancements to WAP & CSBG on behalf of state administrators.
- NASCSP conducts (2) National Training events each year to help state administrators improve implementation of WAP and CSBG.



Legislative & Advocacy Work

Legislation:

- Sen. Reed Bill (D-RI)
 - Establishes Weatherization Readiness Fund
 - ACPU \$6500 -> \$12K
 - Clarifies Reweatheringization
 - Increases renewables limit to \$6K
- Rep. Tonko Bill (D-NY)
 - ACPU \$6500 -> \$12K
 - Clarifies Reweatheringization
 - Repeals \$ limit for renewables
 - Establishes Weatherization Readiness Program
- Written testimony for Tonko Bill hearing

Advocacy:

- **Met with Rep. Tonko (D-NY) staff to discuss upcoming legislation, included input from Wx Readiness Working Group**
- **Work with EESG**
 - **NASCSP led WX Subgroup to develop BIL/IIJA Streamline Implementation Recommendations**
 - **Presented to DOE**
 - **Funding Letter**

Advocacy Priorities

- **Increase the Average Cost Per Unit (ACPU)** to allow more funding to be provided per house and increase ACPU for renewable energy systems.
- **Institute a weatherization readiness fund** within state appropriations that can be used to address deferrals outside of the ACPU calculation.
- **Increase Training and Technical Assistance funding** to \$10 million to support workforce development, evaluation and contractor training.



Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation (BIL) advocacy

- **\$3.5 billion** on top of annual WAP appropriation.
- Released in **tranches**.
- **Davis-Bacon** wage restrictions limited to only multi-family buildings (5+ units).
- First five-year grant period will be from July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2027.



NASCSP led Wx Subgroup of Energy Efficiency Strategy Group

Streamlining the Implementation of BIL

- Release BIL Application Instructions by March 2022.
- Build flexibility into Savings to Investment Ratio (SIR).
- A separate workforce training program (including apprenticeship programs) should be instituted by DOE in FY22.
- Establish a separate weatherization readiness fund to address health and safety barriers and repairs.
- Advocated for a pre-approved measures list by climate zone and housing type.



FY 2023 Appropriations

- House Energy & Water Appropriations report
 - \$370 million
 - \$330 formula
 - \$10M headquarters T&TA
 - \$30M Weatherization Readiness fund
- Senate Energy & Water Appropriators have not yet released their report
- Keep in mind
 - The level of appropriation recommended by House will trigger E&I and SERC
- Already hearing rumblings of a Continuing Resolution!





Inflation Reduction Act

- No WAP specific provisions
- HOPE for HOMES included \$9 billion
- NASCSP working with Energy Efficiency Strategy Group Subcommittee for HOMES and BE rebates for possible opportunities.

Weatherization Day and Toolkits

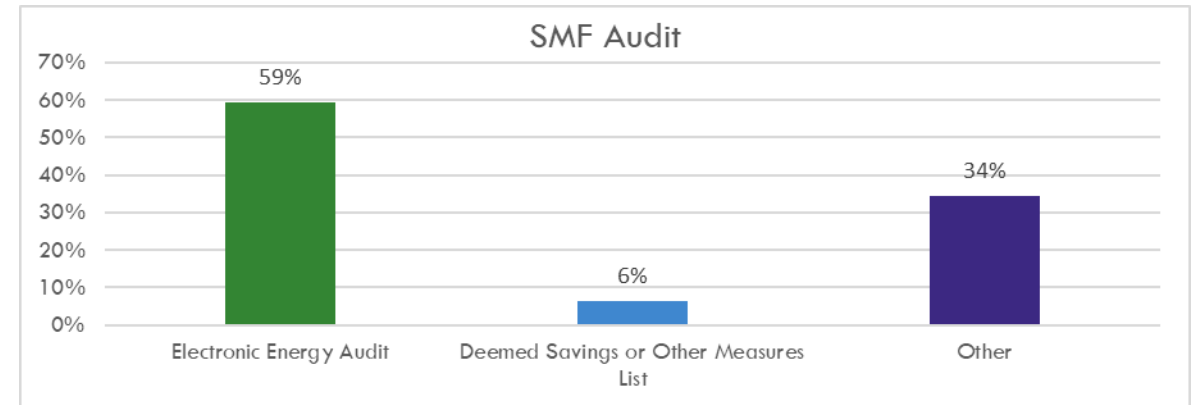
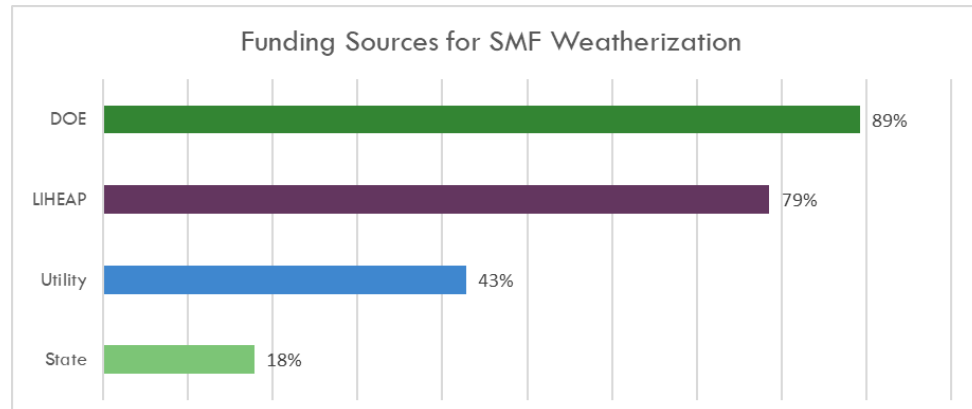


- Weatherization Day Celebration at the Conference!
- [2022 Wx Day Outreach Toolkit](#)
- [2022 Wx Day Site Demonstration Toolkit](#)
- Log your Wx Day activities [here!](#)

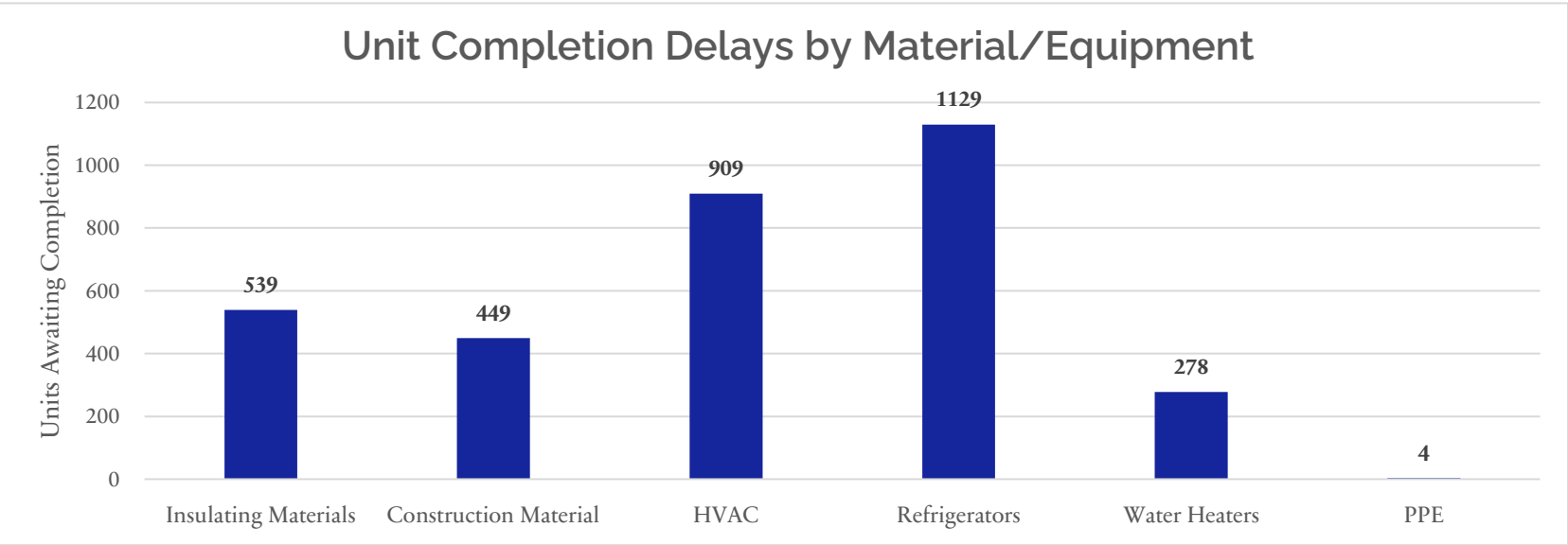
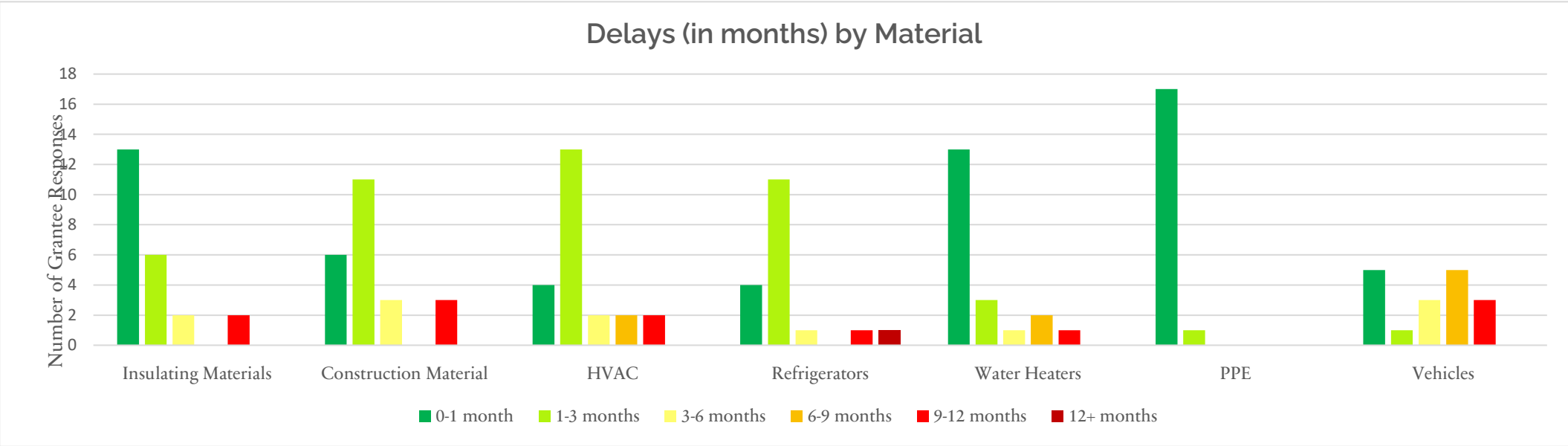
DOE SPECIAL REQUESTS

2021 NASCSP developed a survey on streamlining small Multi-Family WAP

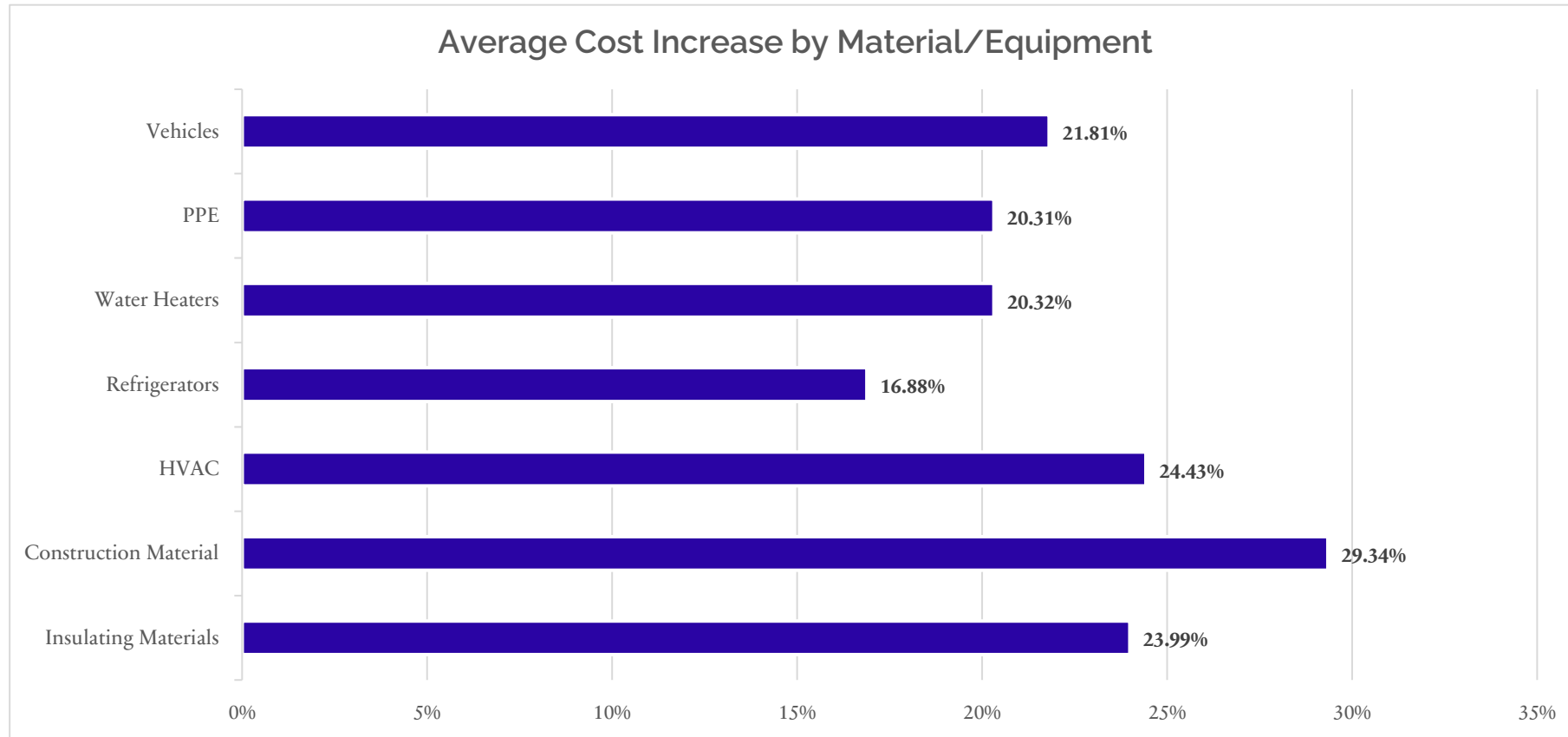
- Summary delivered to DOE showing interest in pre-approved measure list by climate zone
- DOE delivered WPN 22-8! Thank you



DOE Special Request – Supply Chain Survey (Feb. 2022)



Member Supply Chain Survey Results



- NASCSP conducted this survey again and is currently analyzing the results

How are YOU dealing with supply shortages?





DOE Announces Competitive Grant Awards PY2022

Workforce Enhancement & Innovation Grant

- IREC and partners awarded Workforce Recruitment under competitive E&I grants from DOE
 - \$2M
 - 3 years
- Partners include **NASCSP**, BPI, SFCC, OK, PA, WI, Slipstream, Habitat for Humanity (RI) and others

Project Goal: Develop and pilot WAP outreach campaign and technical assistance for WAP Subgrantees with focus on recruiting new employees, including contractors and minority, women owned business.



NASCSP WORKING GROUPS

- Workforce Development
- Weatherization Readiness
- LIHEAP Coordination
- Racial Equity



Workforce Development Working Group

NASCSP/NREL developing WX [Careers Fliers](#) from 2021 Wage Survey Data.

27 state fliers, national flier and customizable versions.

Presented “**Best Practices**” at the BPA Conference; and Energy Out West Conferences in 2022.

Working Priority #3: Career Ladder Templates coming soon!



Racial Equity Working Group

Recent Webinars:

Equitable State Practices: Are We there yet?

Advancing Racial Equity by Creating Space

Resources available on our website:

[Advancing Racial Equity by Creating Space](#)

[How To Use Data to Identify Inequities](#)

[NASCSPP Statement of Action on Racial Justice](#)



Weatherization Readiness Working Group

- Delivered preliminary program recommendations to Rep. Tonko's office
- Delivered response to Wx Readiness legislation (Tonko, McKinley; SB 3769)
- Reviewed potential reporting metrics for Wx Readiness
- Analysis of existing Deferral Tracking Systems/Methodologies
- Developing model state policies to support deferral tracking and WRF



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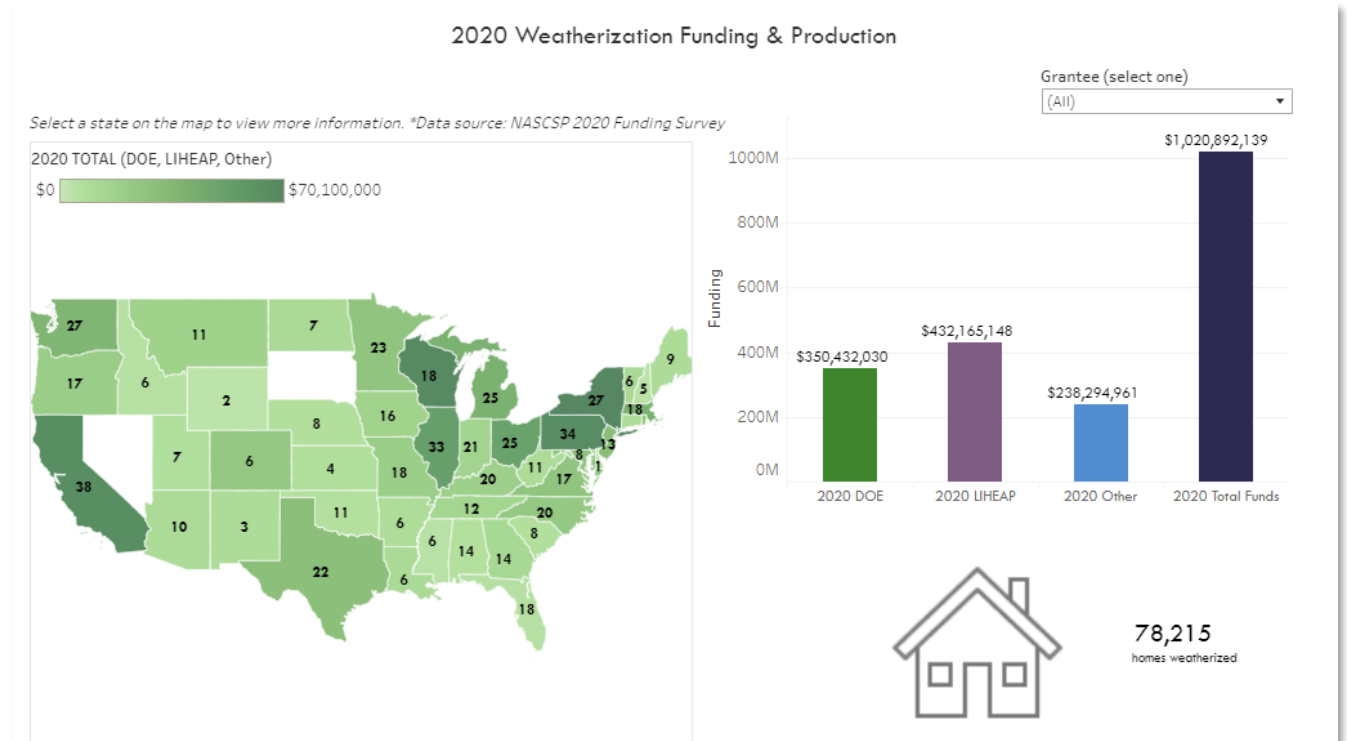
LIHEAP Coordination Working Group



- Develop a baseline understanding of use of LIHEAP funds across WAP
- Created and distributed a survey to inform focus of opportunities with LIHEAP moving forward
- Creating messaging and opportunities to deliver to OCS leadership
- [LIHEAP state plan analysis](#)

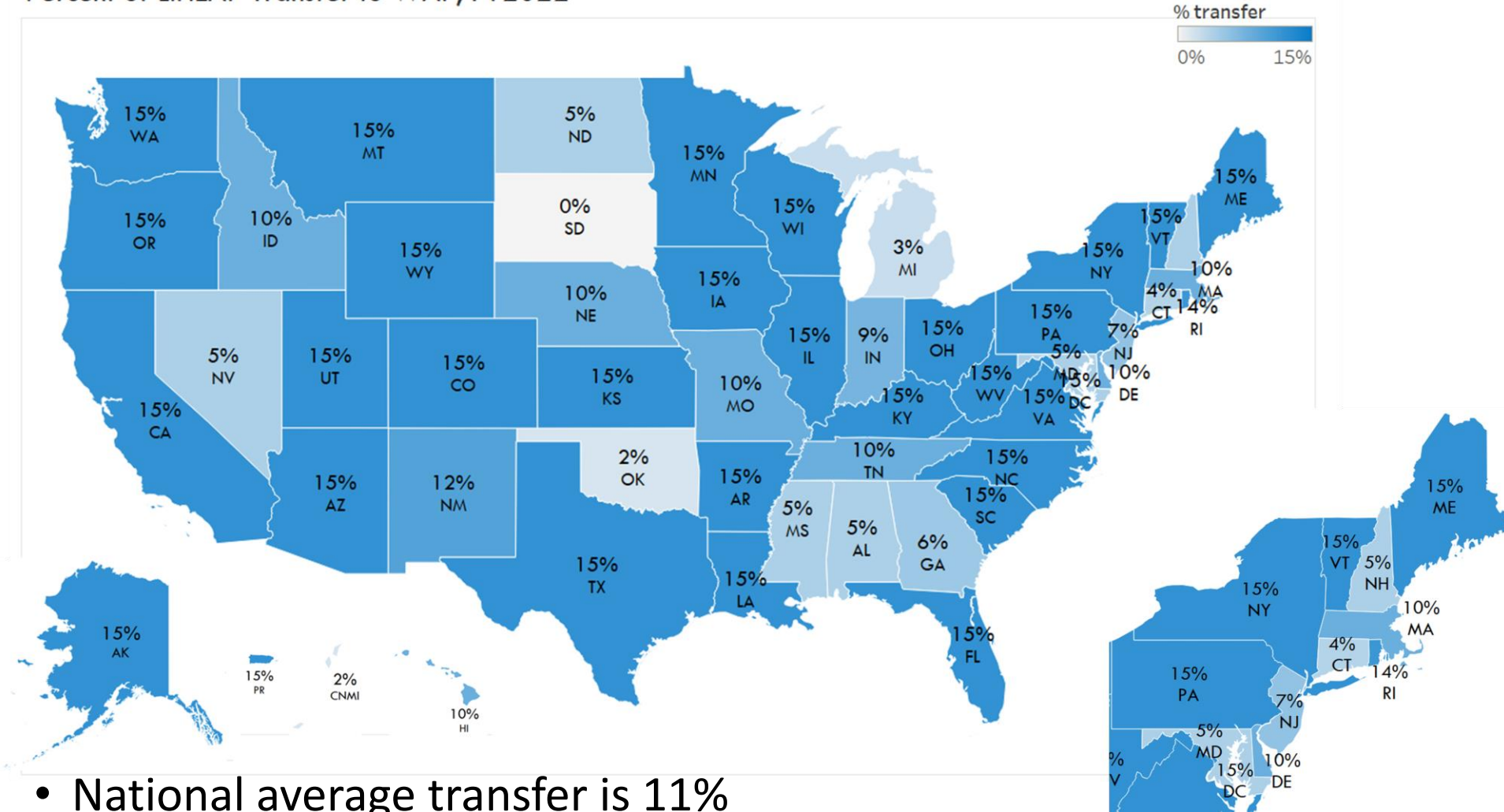
PY 2021 Annual Funding Survey

- NASCSP is contracted with the DOE to collect comprehensive NATIONAL annual funding data for the WAP.
- We partner with NCAP to deliver a final Annual Funding Report.
- The 2021 Annual Funding Report will be published and shared with Federal Partners and members of Congress



NASCSP Research Updates

Percent of LIHEAP Transfer to WAP, FY2022

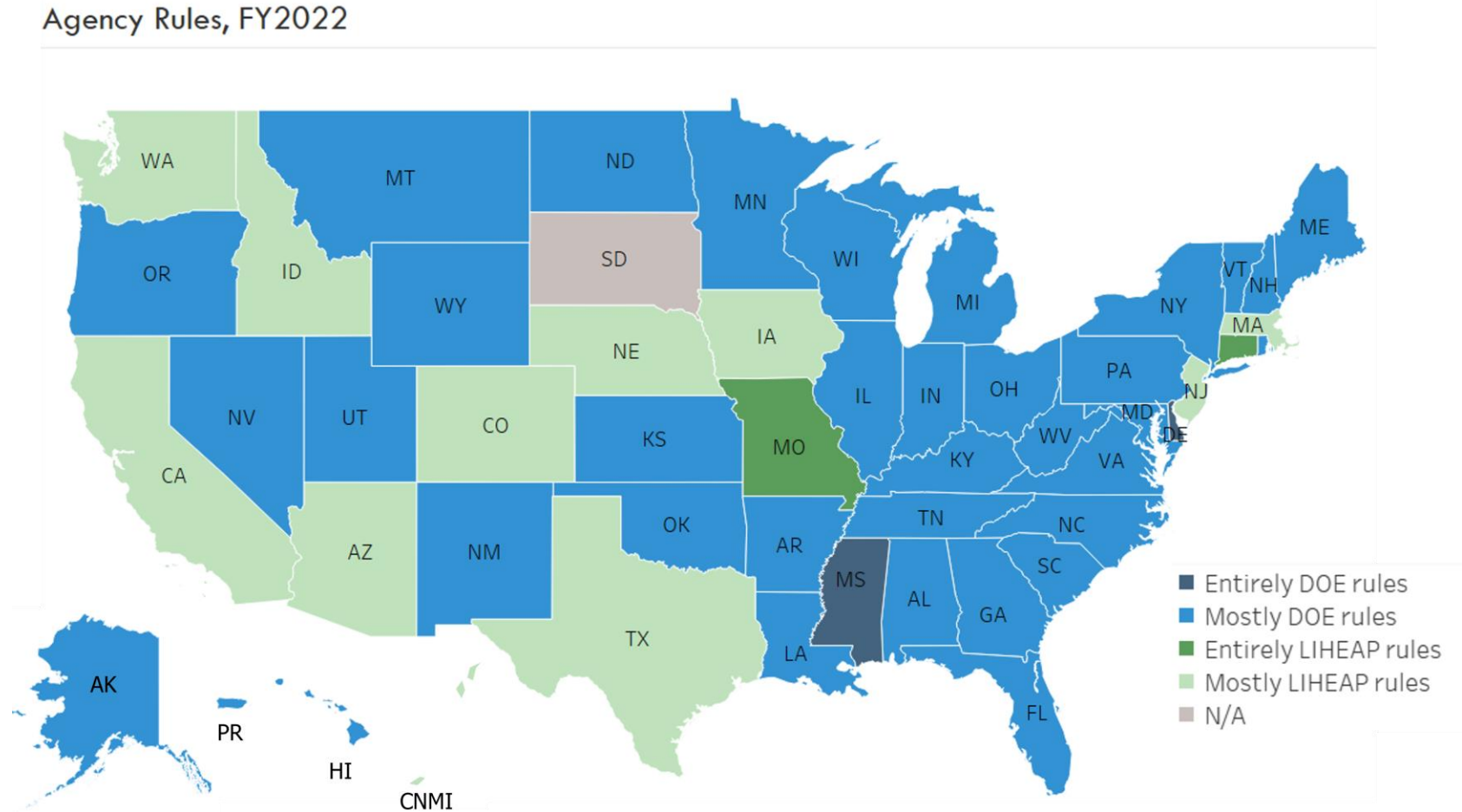


- Available here: <https://nascsp.org/wap/wap-tac/wap-resources/reports-and-fact-sheets/>

- National average transfer is 11%
- 30 Grantees are transferring the full 15% available

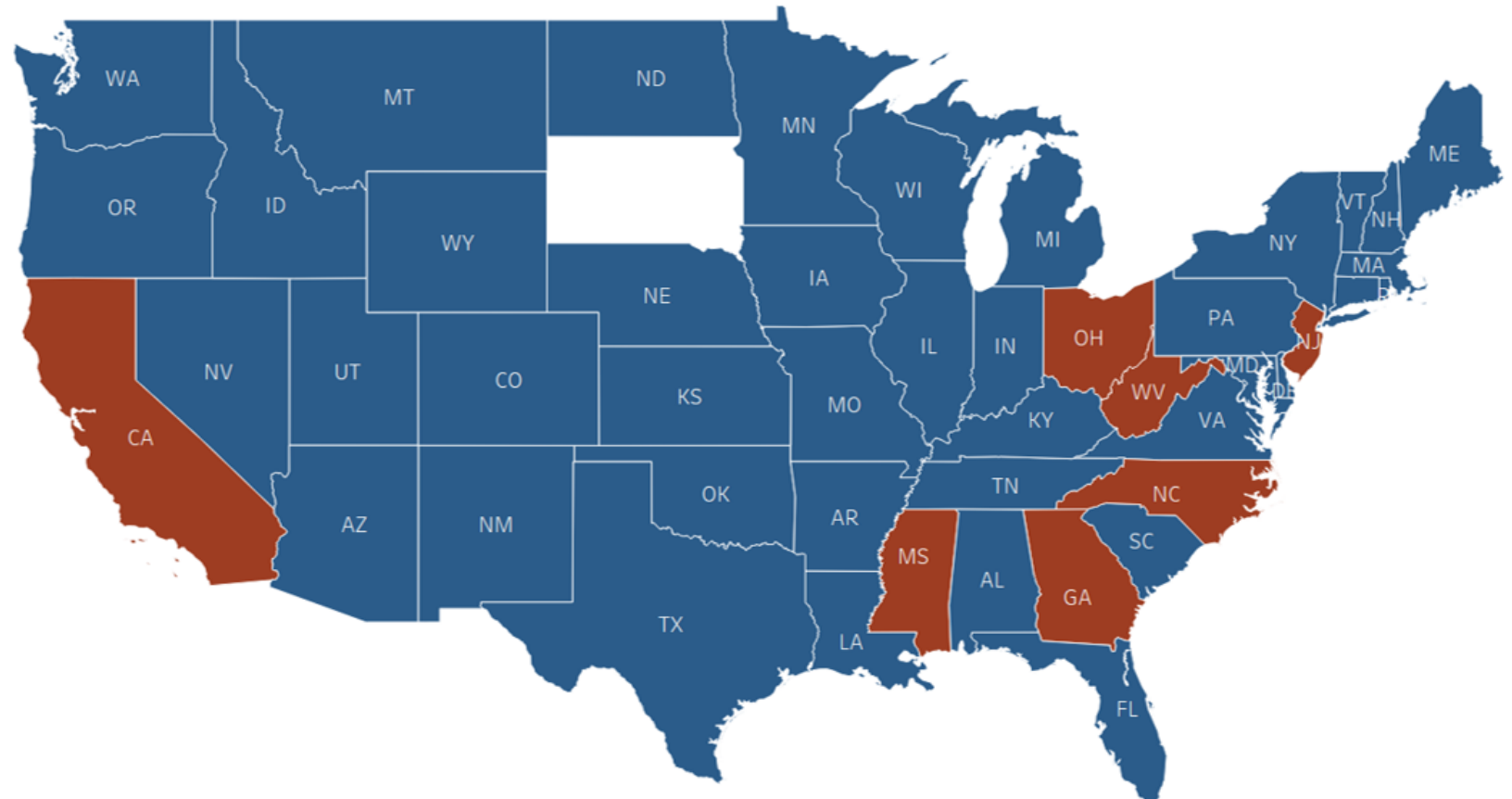
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- 37 Grantees use Mostly DOE Rules to deliver flexibility
- The second most common rule selection is Mostly LIHEAP rules (11 Grantees)

Flexibilities to ACPU in LIHEAP Weatherization, FY2022



- -maximum LIHEAP weatherization benefit/expenditure per household less than or equal to \$7,776
- -maximum LIHEAP weatherization benefit/expenditure per household greater than \$7,776

** South Dakota does not transfer funds from LIHEAP for Weatherization*

Reducing the Energy Burden


What is the Energy Burden?

The percentage of income used to pay utility bills

NEW!! WAP Grantee Programmatic Training

- On June 1, DOE will launch a new online training series for WAP Grantee Program Managers, Fiscal Managers, and Monitors.
- The trainings combine DOE guidance with on-the-ground experience from Grantee staff and stakeholders, and are augmented by a robust repository of examples, job aids, and resources. Training topics include:
 - Grantee Plans
 - Finance and Budgets
 - DOE Monitoring of Grantees
 - Grantee Monitoring of Subgrantees
 - Managing a Quality Program
- Access the trainings June 1, 2022: <https://wap.litmos.com>

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RESUME REVIEW

Who will be adopting the Regional Weatherization Priority Lists from [WPN 22-8](#)?

Will you be adopting all or some of the PLs?

What benefits do you see?

What are the challenges?

Federal Updates



Recent DOE Guidance



[WPN 22-8:](#) Streamlining the Energy Audit Process (optional regional Wx priority lists)

[WPN 22-9:](#) Managing Multiple Funding Streams in WAP

[WAP Memo 091:](#) Weatherization Assistant Suite of Tools Update and Transition Requirements

[WPN 22-6:](#) Weatherization Readiness Fund Guidelines

WPN 22-10: Non-Energy Impacts, released and removed.

[WPN 22-11:](#) WAP Modification Guidance for SERC Grants

[WPN 22-12:](#) Multifamily Weatherization

[WPN 22-13:](#) Weatherization of Rental Units

Justice40



- [Justice40 Initiative](#)
- [Justice40 covered programs list](#)
- A Commitment [letter](#) from Secretary Granholm
- [General Guidance document](#)
- [DACs Reporter](#)
- Justice40, Environmental Justice Fact Sheets
- DOE's [Justice40 page](#)

WPN BIL 22-2: Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Grant Allocations

- [Link to NASCSP Training](#)
- [Update Video from DOE](#)
 - HQ T&TA: \$125,000,000
 - BIL E&I: \$25,000,000
 - BIL SERC: \$70,000,000
 - Grantee Program allocation total: \$2,613,600,000
 - Grantee T&TA allocation total: \$554,400,000

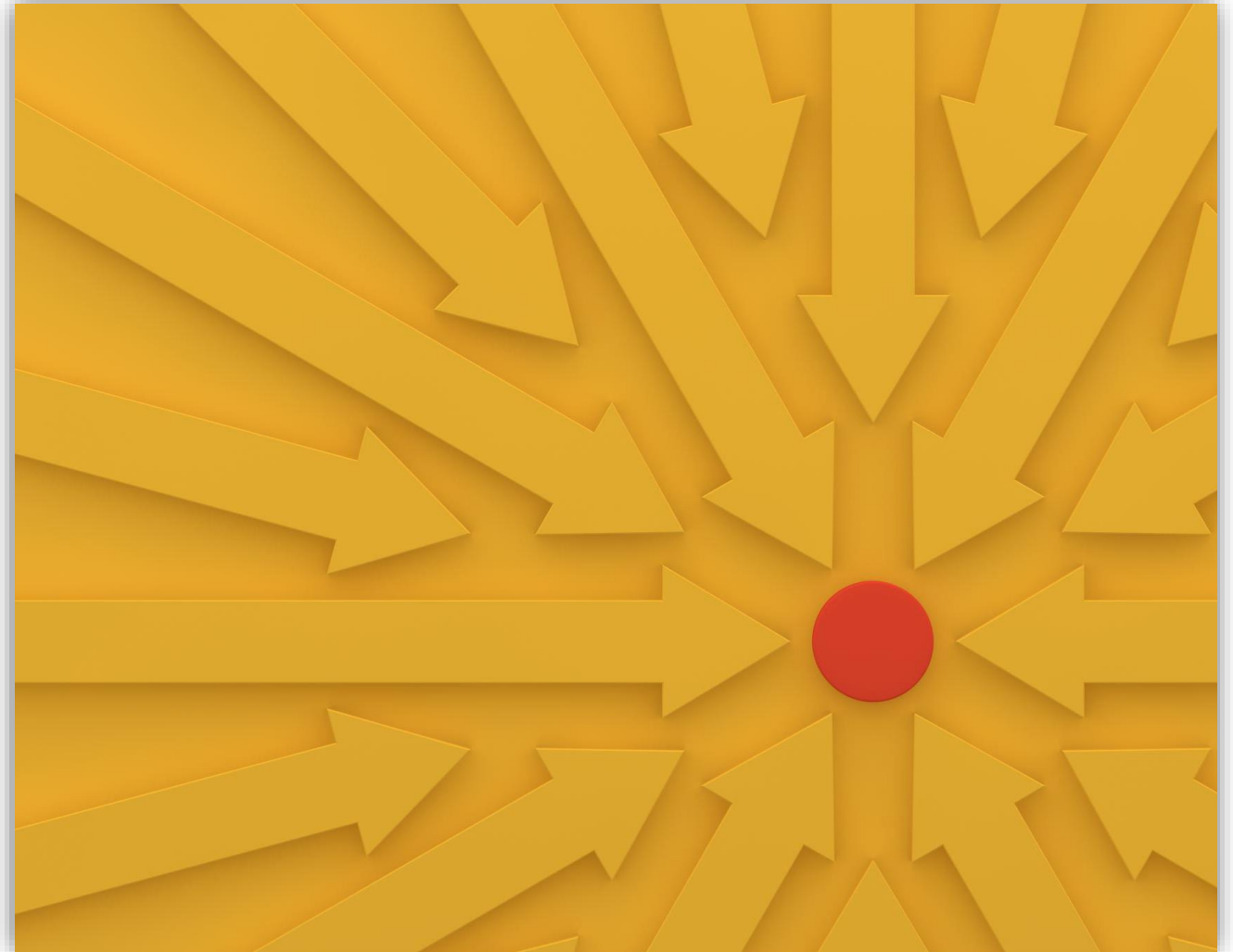


What are your plans for BIL Ramp up?

- Are you adding additional staff/crew?
- Are you working together to secure new contractors into the program?
- Are you redesigning or changing how you work today?



**With so many
program
improvements
happening, which will
best serve your
network?**





NASCSP Webinars

DOE BIL Planning and BIL Workbook Training Webinar

Mitigating Barriers to Weatherization

Weatherization Readiness Fund Webinar

Delivering Low-Income Solar: Barriers and Opportunities

Weatherization Day Video Challenge Kickoff

WPN BIL 22-1, 22-2 Training Webinar

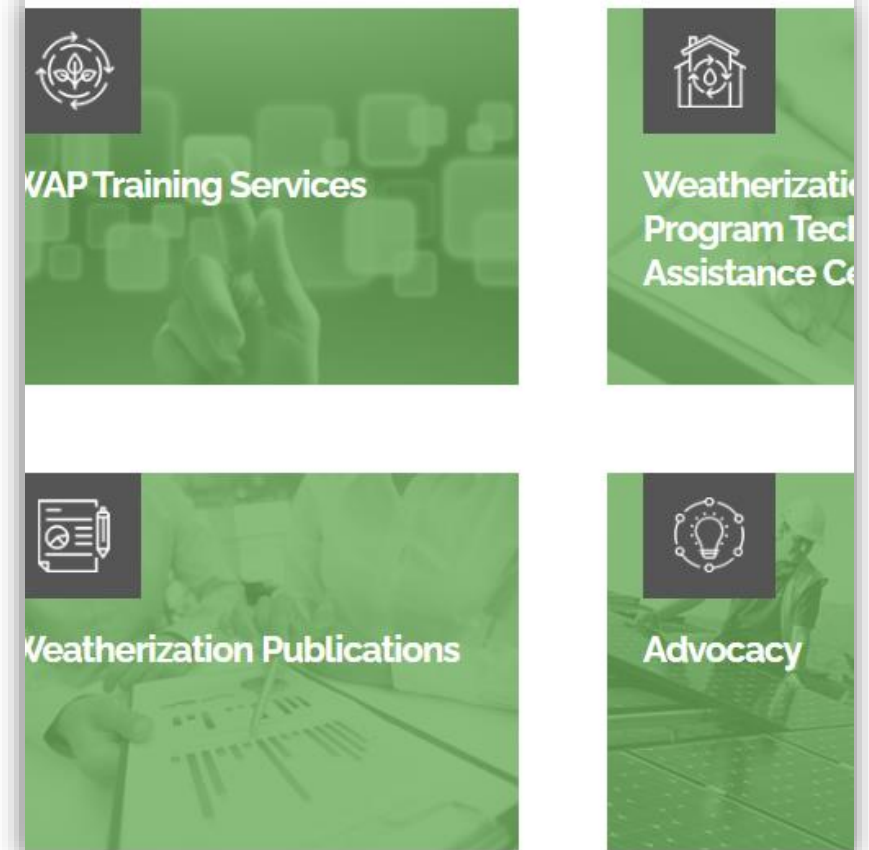
PY 2022 State Plan Development Training

WAP Webinars available [here](#)

NASCSP Website: New Materials added!

Public Resources

- WAP Training menu and training request form
- Program guidance, regulations, and WAP Statute
- Webinars
- Resources for Wx Plus Health, leveraging funds, Health and Safety, and monitoring
- [LIHEAP state-by-state analysis](#)
- Program reports and fact sheets
- Advocacy resources – WAP legislation, Wx Day, Public information campaigns, success stories





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